

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

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For: DETECTION OF MICRO METASTASIS OF MELANOMA  
AND BREAST CANCER IN PARAFFIN-EMBEDDED TUMOR  
DRAINING LYMPH NODES BY MULTIMARKER  
QUANTITATIVE RT-PCR

Group Art Unit: 1642

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111  
AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a three (3) month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed April 6, 2009, thereby extending the time period within which to respond to October 6, 2009.

In response to the Office Action mailed April 6, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows: